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Foreigners.

ENTIRE CITY TURNS OUT

TOK10, July 27 .- The bankers and me Toklo entertained Secretary

Taft and Miss Roosevolt at the Mapl

which there was Geisha dancing.

ASK RECEIVER

together with the amounts of the policies they hold in the Equitable arb:
John S. Williams, of Richmond, Va., \$5,000; Oscar A. Daube, of New York, \$10,000; Henry S. Black, of Philadelphia, \$1,200; Thomas L. Waters, of New York, \$5,000; Horatio G. Gibson, of Washington, D. C., \$5,000, and Charles S. Davis, of Okinhoma, \$1,000. Thomas J. Barry, a lawyer, of Boston, has also filed intervening petitions in behalf of Benjamin Dellheim, \$1,000, and Julian B. Hart, \$10,000, both of Boston.
In the amended bill, which is far more sweeping in its charges and in its appeal

sweeping in its charges and in its appeal for relief, than was the original bill of last April, there are incorporated many cluttons from the Prick and Hendricks reports, published some months later.

Alleged Mismanagement.

Meeting of Directors. The directors of the Equitable Life Assurance Society held two meetings to-

Assurance Society fight two meetings to-day. The busines transacted included the election of George F, Victor, of this city, and Ernest B. Kruttschiftt, of New Or-leans, to the board. The office of chair-man was aboulshed, as previously an-nounced. The committee on pensions re-

nounced. The committee on pensions reported, and in almost every instance its recommendations were adopted.

A number of pensions will be discontinued entirely and others reduced to fifty per cent. of salaries received by officials or employes at the time of the

officials or employes at the time of the severance of their connections, it developed to-day that in 'addition to the pension of \$25,000 a year to the widow of Henry .B. Hyde, there was voted at the same time a pension of \$18,000 to Mrs. James W. Alenxander, the wife of the former president, to take effect upon the death of Mr. Alexander. These two items have been regarded as legal Habilities or annulties, in lieu of certain contracts waived by the founder of the society and by Mr. Alexander. The matter will be submitted to the Equitable special counsel.

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The Equitable Life Assurance Society's income for the first six months of 1905 was \$3,790,138, an increase of \$2,386,816 over the corresponding six months of last year, according to a statement which was submitted to the board of directors.

Mutual Reserve in Trouble.

Mrs. Hasleff to Leave. Mrs. L. M. Hasloff, of this city, leaves in a few days to visit Baron and Baroness Nolken in Russia, as well as many other friends in that country.

Water Committee.

together with the amounts of the policies

Club to-night at a Japanese dinner, during

The clubhouse was handsomely deco

rated and Illuminated, and American and

Japanose flags, crossed, were displayed throughout the building. Shiba Park

with this quarrel, can be assigned for the killing. In the past the two men had appeared to be friendly.

Herring's brother visited him in the cell last night, and Mr. H. M. Smith was employed as counsel. The prisoner was instructed not to laik about the case, but did discuss it very freely in the presence of the officers. He admitted having purchased the revolver in the afternoon, and are having been at the house named, and there had some trouble with one of the girls, and that he wanted to marry her, but she did not come back with the money he had given her to pay the preacher.

Herring Denies Shooting.

In the cell last night he was asked the freet question if he had shot Ahern, and so, what were his reasons, and replied ith emphasis that he did not do the

if so, what were his reasons, and to the shooting
"He shot himself. We were seated together on the ear, and be took my revolver out of my coat pocket and tried to shoot me. I throw my hand up and knocked the pistol up. Two shots were fired, and the second one was the one that he shot himself with," said Herring.

Against this statement of the prisoner is the statement of the conductor that Herring tried to commit suicide after the shot was fired that killed Ahern, and, furthermore, that Herring fired the shot. The witnesses summoned for the inquest are Detective C. A. Gibson; Mr. W. A. Cumber, a driver, who lives in Fulton and who was a passenger; Conductor C. A. Clark and Motorman W.T. Sheppard, in charge of the car.

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Charles J. Ahen was forty-eight years of age and lived with his brother-in-law, Mr. Heacock. He was by trade a cigar maker, but of late had not been at work. He leaves besides his sister, one brother, Mr. Frank Ahern, of New York, who has been telegraphed for and will probably arrive in the city to-day. John Hunter Herring, who is charged with the murder of Ahern, is thirty-nine years of age, and for about eight years has been employed as lineman by the Virginia Passenger and Power Company. He has borne a good reputation and is very well connected.

POLITICS AMONG THE HOWITZERS

occasion. I will put a stop to any such thing."

His Motives Were Pure.

Before the conclusion of the meeting, and after a brief speech by a member of the Norfolk Light Artilery Blues, Captain Myers again reverted to the inci dent that had thrown the pleasant social gathering upon the verge of turmoil. He assured his heavers that the motives actuating him in all that he had done were the very purest. "Any man who charges that polities inspires me, or that any impure or selfish motive throbs in this heart, is a maker of malichus falsehood. We will allow no breath of impure air to enter these portals," said he, pointing toward the doors, "We haven't the new equipment to stop it, but we have what stopped the Yankees, But let this matter end here. Do not, for God's sake, let any man take it from this meeting. Let this unfortunate thing, this dent that had thrown the pleasant social ing. Let this unfortunate thing, this lack of discretion, pass away. We will now hear from the Confederate Infantry, and I would suggest that we let the re-marks of the gentleman who is to speak act as absorbent cotton upon a wound, which, when removed, leaves the wound

Mr. Patteson's Resolution.

The meeting of the battery last night was a social one or smoker, arranged for the purpose of thanking Senator Martin for his services in securing from the War Department an unqualified promise that the Richmond Howitzers should have battery out of the first set of the ne a battery out of the first set of the new field guns being manufactured by the ordnance department of the government. Senator Martin was the guest of honor, and was the first speaker, and it was after his speech and that of Mayor McCarthy, Admiral Harrie Webster and others had been concluded that Mr. Patteson precipitated the incident that marred the serenity of the occasion. Although the resolution had not been read, and was not read afterwards, it had was not read afterwards, it had me whispered around that such a resolution was to be proposed. Captain Myers had evidently heard of it, though he did not care to discuss the episode for no did not care to discuss the episode for publication. In order, however, that the public may be acquainted with the situa-tion fully, and with the electionstances attending the incident, the resolution, which was never offered, is herewith

whereas, for a long time untiring efforts have been made by many of the friends of the Howitzers to get an up-to-date battery; and

get an up-to-date battery; and Whereas, there is now some prospect of such efforts being successful; therefore, be it Resolved, That the thanks of the Richmond Howitzers are due and are hereby tendered the following gen-

nen:
Ex-Governor J. Hoge Tyler,
Senators John W. Daniel and
Thomas S. Martin,
Governor A. J. Montague,
Hon. St. George Tucker,
Hon. John Lamb,
Hon. William A. Jones

and Leigh Robinson, Esq.

for securing the promise of the Secre-tary of War to assign such battery to the Howltzers at some time in the near future.

near future.

These gentlemen have for years, in season and out, labored to secure for the organization a battery of new, modern guns.

Letters to the Governor. Letters to the Governor.

Mr. Patteson also had in his possession a number of letters exchanged between Governor Montague and the War Department, General Crozler, the chief of ordnance, and finally a telegram from Colonel C. A. Dempisey, a retired officer of the United States army, now attached to the Virginia military headquarters. The first of these letters is one from Governor Montague to the Secretary of War, dated May 23, 1991, ursing the department to provide for the Virginia military for the Virginia military for the provide for the Virginia for the virginia military for the provide for the Virginia military for the provide for the Virginia military for the chief of the virginia military for the virginia military for the chief of the virginia military for the virginia military f the department to provide for the Virginia volunteer artillery, and especially for one battery. Another letter is incorporated from Governor fontague to Hon. Robert Shaw Oliver, Assistant Sec. retary of War, enclosing a letter from Cotonel Dempsey, dated June 3d, again urging that one of the new batteries of

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\$3.00 Straws at \$1.50.

\$2.50 Straws at \$1.25. \$2.00 Straws at \$1.00.

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Don't wear an old faded Straw Hat in the face of these figures.

The Big Summer Clearance Sale of Men's and Boys' Clothing is in Progress To-Day.

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three-inch guns be furnished to this State. Following this is the reply of Brigadier-General William Crezier, chief of ordnance, United States army, conveyof ordnunce, United States army, convey-ing information as to the new guns, when they would probably be completed, and assuring the Governor that "the new material would be distributed to the States designated by the Secretary of War," and adding that "no consideration has yet been given, so far as known to this office, to the subject of such distri-bution"

The Governor is assured that his communication, together with that of the Iton, John W. Daniel, will be placed on file and submitted to the Secretary of War for consideration when the subject of the distribution of the new material is taken up. This reply is dated June 7th. A letter of June 12, 1005, is also included in the correspondence. This was written by the Governor to the Secretary of War and is brief, the Governor stating that he respectfully makes application for one of the five new batteries of four guns each, to be completed about July 1st and prepared for use about a month later, for the Richmond Howitzers, of this city.

Finally Colone! Dempsey's telegram is icluded. It is dated Washington, July 7, 1905, and addressed to the Governor, t reads thus: "Secretary of War authories me to say battery for Howitzers not yet assigned, but will be when guns finished, some time this fall. Selection made not solely on request of any one person, but on that of several, backed by recommendations of inspecting offi-

. An Enjoyable Smoker.

Prior to this incident the smoker was thoroughly enjoyable affair. The assembly room in the armory was attractionally room in the armory was attractionally room. tively garnished for the occasion and was omfortably filled with an assemblage of comfortably filled with an assemblage of 150 or 200 persons, including members of the Howlizer Association and many invited guests, among them Senator Martin, the guest of honor, and many of his Richmond friends and supporters in his senatorial campaign. Tables were placed here and there, with light viands thereon, and in one corner punch was served to all, while cigars and pipes were plentiful, and all who cared to do so puffed away and all who cared to do so puffed away. at a fragrant Havana or pulled a clay

later on he called the assemblage to order

State, made before I received your invitation, makes it impossible for me to be with you makes it impossions for the content of the content.

May the occasion be one of great pleasure to your distinguished guest, as well as to yourself, is the most eurnest wish of

Yours most sincerely,

J. TAYLOR ELLIYSON.

Captain Myers Speaks. Captain Myers Speaks.

Captain Myers then spoke, briefly tracing the glorious history of the Howltzers, and finally narrating its efforts to get modern equipment. At last the movement had been crowned with success after two years of hard work in which Senator Daniel, Congressman Lamb, Governorr Montague and others had worked hard. The battery could get no assurance, however, that it would get the new equipment. The City Council and Board of Aldermen and the Chamber of Commerce had appointed committees to endeavor to secure one of the new batteries. "One day," said the speaker, "we learned that Senator Martin was in the city and we appointed a committee and elty and we appointed a committee and went to see him and asked him to try city and we appointed a committee and went to see him and asked him to try to secure for us that equipment. The securing of that battery has already infused new life into the command. To all who had used their efforts the same reply was made; that the department would promise nothing. I give all these gentlemen full honor for what they have done. Sixty days ago this request was laid before Senator Martin, and he promptly took the matter up with the result that he now adds the unconditional promise of the War Department that we are to have one of the first five batteries of the new equipment. (Great and prolonged applause) I am speaking for no personal reason or ambition. This meeting is but a token of esteem for, and to give the members of the command and its friends a chance to shake the hand of the man who has done so much, not for the Howitzer's sake alone, but for the city and for the State."

Senator Martin Present.

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The speaker then introduced Senator Martin. As he arose he was greeted with a general and prolonged hand-chapping, which finally broke into cheers.

Senator Martin land not expected the affair to take this turn, or, at least, he so stated with great current out of a conclusion when a winning from great effort to get what the Howitzers want. I found that the battery was well known at the department already,

and if I could get a pleture of what I see here to-night and take it to Wash-Ington to the War Department, I am sure you could get anything the government had to give. The history of the Richmond Howlitzers is one of which any people might be proud.

After complimenting the command further, Senator Martin saiz: "I feel highly honored beyond any service rendered you by me, but I assure you anything I can do was done and will always be cheerfully done for the Howlitzers."

Senator Martin narrated the conversation be had had on his three visits te the department, and especially his final interview with General Oliver, Assistant Secretary of War. He declared that he know there were two other batteries in this State, and he was willing and desirous of doing what he could for them, but the Howlitzers must come first. He had told the secretary, he said, that he would make no promise and had insisted upon a promise from General Oliver and got it, unequivocally and unconditionally. In concluding Senator Martin described the new batteries as the most modern guns in the world and stated that men when they came to instruct the men in the care, pressivation and use of them. The guns were complicated machines and very valuable. General Oliver had stated to him. "You have my promise," and had added that in four or five months these guns would be delivered. In concluding Senator Martin paid a tribute to the millin, which, he said, are always the hope of the country.

When the senator took his seat and the applause subsided, a Howlizer, mounted on an elevated position in the corner proposed "three cheers for Senator Martin," and they were given with vocal vigor.

Many Other Speeches.

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Many Other Speeches.

Captain Myers then introduced Mayor McCarthy, who said he was perhaps more surprised than Senator Martin After reviewing the war history of the command cloquently the Mayor said: "No one is more gratified than I that the battery is to have these new guns. Those we have to-day are utterly worthless. I believe the organization is destined to live for years and to preserve and mainatin the glorious history of a nobic body of men."

Captain Myers next presented Admiral Harrle Webster, U. S. N., rethred. Admiral Webster congratulated the battery upon securing the new guns, and spoke briefly of his own service in another branch of the government's fighting force. He wa snot sufficiently familiar with the history of the battery to speak of it, but he impressed the need of instructors to enable the men to handly this modern equipment and contrasted the power and efficiency of the guns were in use the gunners waited sometimes till they could see the whites of the eyes of the foe, whereas with the mew ones telescopes were necessary to discern them, and smokeless powder was used for them. The guns were effective at three and a half miles.

After a brief intermission and more punch and cigars, Captain Myers again rapped for order and presented Captain John A. Curtis with a pleasant introductory. Captain Curtis responded in a humorous and very happy vein. His remarks were much enjoyed.

It was just after this that Mr. Patteson arose and, holding in his hand a paper, stated that he desired to offer a resolution. Then following, the splitted incident already described.

A member of the Norfolk Blues spoke Just afterward in a very pleasing strain, and a little later Dr. Brock addressed the audience very felicitously.

SUB-COMMITTEE TO INVITE PRESIDENT

The special joint committee named by the Council to invite President Roosevelt to visit Richmond and he the guest of the city on his proposed Southern trip this full, met last night and authorized Chairman William H. Curlis to name a subspend at least two days here.

It is understood that the President will pass through Richmond on October 17th. Chairman Curlis has not yet announced the names of his subcommittee, but he will be exofficio chairman.

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ON JULY 28TH,
On JULY 28TH,
On July 28th the Southern Railway will sell special round trip tickets from Rich, mond, Danville, Oxford, Clarksville and intermediate stations to Chase City and return at one fare for the round trip; good returning Monday following date of saic.

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This offers a spiendid opportunity for those desiring to visit this popular resort SATURDAY AND SUNDAY EXCUR-

SIONS TO THE SEASIDE, via C, & O, One day, \$1,00; two days,



Mutual Reserve in Trouble.

(By Associated Press.)

Albany, N. Y., July 27.—Concealment of Judgment against the company amounting to \$182,767, exaggeration of its surplus by over \$1300,000, and a fixed polley of delay in settling claims, are some of the charges made against the Mutual Reserve Life Insurance Company by Chief Examiner Isaac Yanderpool in his report, submitted to State Superintendent of Insurance Hendricks, and by him to-day made public. The examination was begun last December and covers a period back to 1890. The company has head-quarters in New York city and claims assets of between five and six millions, TAKE THE POPULAR C. & O. SATURDAY AFTER NOON EXCURSIONS to the seaside, \$1.00 round trip, Bathing, Boating, Pishing, Dancing, &c.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE R. R. SUNDAY MOND AND PETERSBURG.

40 CENTS—ROUND TRIP—40 CENTS.
Tickets good on all regular trains limited to date of sale.

The Committee on Water held a meet-leg last night and disposed of a good deal of routhe business. Nothing came up of great public moment. TREBUNG.

Dr. St. George Grinnan has returned from Portland, Oregon, where he went to attend the meeting of the American Medical Association, American Medical Association,

WILSON FACING FOR AMERICANS **NEW SENSATION**

Charged That Bureau Scientist Demonstration in Tokio Most Re-Used Position to Enrich Manufacturing Firm.

WIFE HAD STOCK IN LATTER

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, July 27.—In a hearing to-day in the Department of Agriculture, at which Secretary Wilson, Assistant Secretary Hays, Professor B. T. Galloway, chief of the Bureau of Plant Indus way, chief of the Bureau of Plant Indus-try; George T. Moore, of that bureau, and two representatives of an agricul-tural publication were present, the two hast maned made charges that the wife of one of the scientists in the bureau of plant industry owned a block of stock in an eastern concern manufacturing cul-ture for soil inoculation, while the scien-list was accounted and revising builting was illuminated and the driveways were thronged with crowds that cheered Miss Roosevelt and Secretary Taft as they arrived and departed from the clubhouse. The streets from the center of the capital were illuminated, and there was a brilliant display of fireworks in honor of the Americans.

The popular demonstrations and official and private courtesies shown the visitors have been the most remarkable ever shown foreigners. Minister Griscom gave a garden party in honor of Secretary Taft this afternoon. About a thousand persons were present, including Princes Fushimi, Sr., Fushimi, Jr., and Knain, Princesses Nashimato, Higashi and Fushimi and Premier Katsura, the elder statesmen, members of the cabinet and other high officers, besides members of the American colony. ture for soil modulation, while the scientist was preparing and revising bulletins regarding the enrichment of farms and portraying the culture as containing virulent forms of bacteria for making poor land rich. It was alleged that publications revised by the official tended to direct the farmers to a commercial concern simplying the muterial hecause of cern supplying the material because of the exhaustion of the supply by the de-

the exhaustion of the supply by the department.

At to-day's hearing the scientist involved in the allegations admitted that his wife owned the stock; that the stock was to come to him in the event that he severed his connection with the department and became the bacteriologist of the concern, but that in the latter part of April he decided to stay with the department, and that the stock was no longer held in his family. It was also alleged that the culture had been supplied by the department to the concern mentioned in undue quantities, the employe mentioned heing charged with shipping seventeen pounds in a single day, himself repaying expenses. It is said that to-day he admitted this and other shipments.

The charges are under investigation by the department, and Assistant Secretary Hays is making an investigation into the whole question of the value of the culture. The persons making the charges announce their intention of bringing the matter before the President and Department of Justice.

PECKHAM WILL NOT ANSWER QUESTIONS

New York Broker May Be Arrested for Refusal to Testify.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, July 27,-F. A. Peck-ham, a New York broker, to-day refused to answer questions as to his dealings in to answer questions as to his dealings in agricultural products before the grand jury investigating the cotton report leakage. Mr. Peckham was thereupon told by United States District Attorney Beach that unless he (Peckham) changed his mind by to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock, when the grand jury convenes for the day, his recalcitrancy would be reported day, his recalcitrancy would be reported to Judge Wright, of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, who already has given public notice of his intentior to punish any witness refusing to reply to proper questions. The penalty is im-prisonment.

reports, published some months later.

Alleged Mismanagement.

The bill alleges that the society has been guilty of mismanagement in syndicate transactions; that "unreasonable cut excessive" salaries have been paid; and that "large sums of money, ranging from \$20,000 to \$37,000,000 belonging to the said assurance funds of the society were allowed by it to remain uninvested on deposit in banks and trust companies, without adequate interest in many of which banks and irrust companies without adequate interest in many of which banks and irrust companies, without adequate interest in many of which banks and irrust companies the said officers and directors of the society, or many of them, were large stockholders, for the purpose of securing pecuniary benefit to such officers and directors individually; and such indue and unreasonable cash halances existed since at least the year 1900."

Rectling the purchase of the Hyde stock by Thoas F. Ryan, the complaint then denies the legality of the election of directors who are not stockholders of the society.

The complaint goes on: "The assurance funds held by the society have been fraudulently and negligently handled, and are being wasted and mismanaged and lost to the extent of many millions of dollars. It is without a legaly chosen Board of Directors, and the real value of the property held by it is unknown and speculative."

Reverting to a statement that the defendant society "has wilfully and negligently and fraudulently mismanaged, and through its officers abd agents, misappropriated the said defendant is wholly unable to repay the amount of such wasted and misappropriated moneys to said fund for the benefit of your annotance funds," the complaint asserts that "the said defendant is wholly insolvent in consequence thereof."

Meeting of Directors.

The directors of the Equitable Life to proper questions. The penaity is imprisonment.

When questioned to-night, Mr. Beach, who has steadfastly refused to discuss developments in his inquiry, declined to admit the probability of proceedings against Mr. Peckham.

Mark Alter, counsel for F. A. Feekham and Moses Haas, who refused to answer questions before the grand jury inquising into the cotton scandal, to-night made the following statement: "It is unfortunate that Mr. Peckham and Mr. Haas are unable at this time to state their side of the case. Under advice of their counsel which I deem necessary under the circumstunces, they have acted under instructions as to their constitutional rights.

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rights. "I feel, instructions as to hir
constitutional righs.
"I feel, however, that it is only fair
to say that when circumstances permit,
over which they at present have no control, a statement may be made which will
clear up the existing involved situation
and completely experate my clients."

ZIONIST ANNUAL UUNUNCOO DEUINO

(By Associated Press.) BASLE, SWITZERLAND, July 27 .-The seventh annual congress of Zionists The seventh annual congress of Zionists opened here to-day in the presence of over a thousand delegates, representing the leading forces of the Zionist movement throughout the world, including an unusually large delegation from the United States. After the delivery of addresses of welcome in behalf of the city, Max Nordau pronounced an eloquent eulogy in memory of Dr. Theodore Herzi, founder of the Zionist movement, this being the first anniversary of his death. The session was suspended at 11 o'clock The session was suspended at 11 o'clock as a mark of respect to the deceased leader. At noon the congress resumed its session, and Dr. Max Nordau was elected

FRENCH FREIGHTER ASHORE ON GUERNSEY

(By Associated Press.)
GUERNSEY, CHANNEL ISLANDS,
July 27.—A large French freight steamer
went ashore to-ay on the dddddddd
Street station on the arrival of the 2
this island. It is believed that the vessel, the name of which is not known,
will be a total wreck. There was no
loss of life. It was at first reported
that the steamer was a trans-Atlantic
liner, The fog continues.

DAUGHTER OF GENERAL WHEELER IS MARRIED

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, July 27.—Miss Julia Knox Wheeler, daughter of General Joseph Wheeler, was married to William Julius Harris, of Georgia, in this city to-night, the ceremony being performed by the Rev. Ernest M. Stires at St. Thomas Protestant Episcopal Church, Fifth Avenue and Fifty-third Street. The three sisters of Miss Wheeler were the bridges myids. General Wheeler was present, and gave the bride away. Dr. Boale Harris, brother of the groom, acted as best man. The ushers included Captain Joseph Wheeler, Jr., of the United States army, or the original System Company.



Appoints Board to Investigate Cause of Explosion on Bennington.

FINAL DEATH ROLL SIXTY-TWO

Work of Cleaning Up Gunboat Proceeding-Divers Discover Nothing.

(By Associated Press,) SAN DIEGO, CAL., July 27,—The flag-

ship Chicago, of the Pacific squadron, with Admiral Goodrich on board, arrived this morning. Soon after the Chicago came to anchor Commander Young, of the Bennington, and Captain Drake, of Mare Island, went on board the Chicago and were closeted with the admiral. A board of investigation was appointed whose duties will be to collect evidence of whatever nature may be pertinent to the disaster on the gunboat Bennington, and to put this evidence in shape for the consideration of Admiral Goodrich. With the report of this board in hand the admiral will decide whether to appoint a board of inquiry.

At 10 o'clock this morning this board of investigation, consisting of Lieutenant Admiral Goodrich on board, arrived this

M. No consect this morning this board of investigation, consisting of Lieutenant Moody, F. W. Bartlett, Lieutenant Commander Halstead and Lieutenant Moody, convened on board the flagship, and after a consulation with the admiral, adjourned to the Bennington. The report of the board is not expected for several

days.

In the meantime the work of cleaning In the meantime the work of cleaning up the gunboot proceeds slowly, the bollers being left in the position in which they were found after the explosion until inspected by the investigating board. Divors have plugged the intake pipes from the outside, thus stopping the inflow of water. Thus far, it is reported, the divers have found nothing wrong with the built from the outside. Scalings from the boilers will be examined by the navy yard chernist, it is said, to determine whether gases created by corrosion and chemical action caused the explosion,

SHONTS AND STEVENS TAKE HOLD IN PANAMA

(By Associated Press.)

PANAMA, July 27.—The arrival of President Shonts has produced an excellent effect among the employes, counteracting the effects of the resignation of former Chief Engineer Wallace. After the return of Chief Engineer Stevens from a tour of inspection on the canal, he informed the Associated Press that he found the work progressing slowly, though the work progressing slowly, though the work of the pressure of the work of the progressing slowly, though the work, Mr. Stovens will recommend an increase in the number of laborers, and also an increase in the machinery. The party is agreeably surprised at the sanitary conditions existing here. tary conditions existing here.

Miss Frances Purdle, daughter of 'Squire Purdle, of No. 401 West Mar-shall Street, is visiting relatives in Hun-over county.

MR. DOHERTY MAKES A STRONG APPEAL

Asks Democrats of Richmond to Contribute to Primary Expense.

City Chalrman James B. Doherty yesterday issued the following address the Democrats of Richmond, asking the to contribute to the expenses of the

approaching primary;
Richmond, Va., July 27, 1905.
To the Democratic Voters of Richmond: The City Democratic Committee, upon the report of its Finance Committee, to to whom had been referred the matter of raising the necessary funds to con-duct the forthcoming primary of Au-gust 22d, without burdening the several gust 22d, without buttering the several candidates with the heavy assessments necessarily levied by the State committee, realizing that it is not only the wish of the committee, but of the community as well, that the primary system indorsed by the State Democratic Convention held in this city June 10, 194, should have a fair trial under that plan and the statutes passed by the General Assembly making, such plan operative, appeal to the patriotic lymocratic citizens of Itichimond to contribute of their means to make this primary a success without trenching on the candidates for such a heavy assessment.

Those wishing to aid in this laudable undertaking will leave their subscriptions with either of the daily papers, of with P. Kemper Rector, treasurer, No. 718 East Main Street.

The newspapers will publish the names of those contributing. Commending this worthy appeal to our Democratic friends, we subscribe.

THE CITY DEMOCRATIC COMMITcandidates with the heavy assessments

we subscribe,
THE CITY DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE. By James B. Doberty, chairman.

HAVE FRIEND IN POLLS.

Mr. Ellyson Gives Interesting Construction of Primary Plan.

Construction of Primary Plan.

In answer to a request from Governor Montague. Chalrman J. Taylor Eliysen has written the following very interesting letter as to the right of candidates to have witnesses in the various precincis on the day of the primary:

Governor A. J. Montague:

My Dear Governor,—in response to your inquiry, i beg leave to say that on page 6 of the primary plan, adopted by the Democratic State Convention on June 10, 1004, it is provided that at all primaries held under this plan the poll books and young places shall be in open view. The candidates voted for shall have the privilege of having one friend each within the room where the election is being conducted, to remain until after the completion of the count of the vote and the certification of the result. This gives you, as a candidate at the primary to be self on August 22, 1956, the right to designate a friend to represent you at each voting place in Virginia, who is entitled to the privilege of being in the room where the election is being conducted and to remain there until after the completion of the result.

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I beg leave to say in reply to your further inquiry, that you have the right to select such friend yourself or to designate some one in each county or city to represent you in making such selection. If there is any further information I can give you. I shall be pleased to do so.

Yours very truly.

J. TAYLOR ELLIVSON.

Chairman.

Mr. Urquhart Talks.

known in Richmond, is here, and is reg-tificed at the Richmond, for Governor Mr. Urquhart is warmly for Governor Montague for United States senator and expresses the belief that the Governor will run well in Lynchburg and the Southwest.

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